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County Makes "SSMID" Adjustments

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) – Sedgwick County is correcting a taxing issue that impacted the Self-Supported Municipal Improvement District (SSMID) during 2001. The taxing district area is within the downtown development area, primarily the area between Kellogg and Central and from the Arkansas River to Old Town.

It was recently learned that some personal property was omitted from the 2001 valuation, which caused the tax rate to be calculated slightly higher than it should have been. While it did not affect the overall amount of taxes collected for the SSMID, it means that some taxpayers in that District underpaid taxes, and some overpaid. The total taxes collected were appropriately paid to the Downtown Development District.

Sedgwick County is now sending refund checks to those taxpayers within the SSMID that are due a refund, and has issued letters to those who owe additional taxes. The tax statements will then be mailed out in November. The total amount at issue is approximately \$50,000.

"We regret that this situation occurred," said Sedgwick County Appraiser Gerald Frantz. "But it's our job to make it equitable for all, and we have reviewed the property, and recalculated the tax appropriately. Although there have been no issues since that time, we are going back to correct the 2001 amounts," Frantz said. "And, we have made personal contacts with those businesses that were impacted the most."

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